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## TELEGRAMS.

### RAILWAY SMASH.

#### LANCASHIRE DISASTER.

Reuter's  
[Service to the "Telegraph."]  
London, September 17.  
A railway disaster has occurred at Dittin, in Lancashire.  
Twelve people were killed and 50 wounded.

### REFORMS IN HOLLAND.

#### A BIG PROGRAMME.

London, September 17.  
Reuter's correspondent at the Hague states that Queen Wilhelmina, in a speech at the opening of Parliament, announced the immediate introduction of a Bill for the revision of the Constitution, a Bill providing for old-age and sickness insurance, and the establishment of a Ministry of Defence in place of the Departments of War and Marine.

#### SOCIALIST RIOTS.

Later.  
The same correspondent reports that there was rioting on Tuesday afternoon in consequence of the refusal of the authorities to permit a Socialist procession through the streets in support of universal suffrage.

The Socialists consequently assembled on the Rue de la Course outside the town and marched to Parliament. Here they were stopped by a cordon of police, which charged the mob with drawn swords, dispersing them. A few were injured.

### GENERAL NOGI'S WILL.

#### A STRANGE DOCUMENT.

London, September 17.  
Reuter's correspondent at Tokyo reports that General Nogi's will is a pathetic document. It says that he follows the Emperor because his services were no longer required. He had often sought to die, and he chose the occasion of a great national calamity. He distributed his property to his wife, to friends, and to public institutions. This indicates that his wife's death was not premeditated. General Nogi suggests that his body be given to the Medical College, and only the teeth, hair and nails buried.

#### THE FUNERAL.

Later.  
Reuter's Tokyo correspondent states that Prince Arthur of Connaught will attend the funeral of the late General Nogi, whose British Orders will be carried by British officers in the procession.

### THE NEW TURKEY.

#### BRITISH FELICITATIONS.

London, September 17.  
Reuter's correspondent at Constantinople states that the newspapers report that King George and Sir Edward Grey have cordially congratulated the Sultan and Kiamil Pasha, respectively, on the occasion of the Feast of Bairam.

Sir Edward Grey added that he wished success to the Government's policy.

### MANCHURIA.

#### WILL JAPAN ACT?

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### BRITISH MANOEUVRES.

#### ARRIVAL OF THE KING.

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[Service to the "Telegraph."]  
London, September 17.  
His Majesty King George has arrived at Cambridge to attend the Army manoeuvres. He stays at Trinity College.

His Majesty motored in undress uniform of Field Marshal on a visit to Lieutenant General Sir J. M. Grierson, Commanding the "Blue" Army (the defenders), who explained the plan of operations; and then mounted a charger with the Chief of the War Office Staff and visited Major General Sir Douglas Haig, who is in command of the "Red" Army (the invaders).

#### DEFENDERS REPORTED SUCCESSFUL.

The Armies are now in close contact. News is censored but it is reported that the defenders have scored an initial success, having got astride of the invaders' line of advance, and, being superior in strength, they will be able to assume the offensive.

#### NEW FORCES.

Besides the aviators, who are ubiquitous, carrying everything at a height which renders them immune from fire, motor cyclists are proving most valuable for scouting, and taxicabs and motor buses for transport.

### FRENCH MANOEUVRES.

#### OPERATIONS ENDED.

London, September 17.  
The French military manoeuvres have concluded.

President Fallières partook of luncheon with the Generals and foreign officers on the manoeuvre ground, cordial toasts being honoured.

### GERMAN NAVAL REVIEW.

#### AN IMPOSING ARRAY.

London, September 17.  
Altogether 118 ships, representing 550,000 tons, 32,000 men and 200 heavy guns, were reviewed by the Kaiser on Monday.

Later.

At Wilhelmshaven 30 battleships, eight of which were Dreadnoughts, six large and 11 small cruisers, anchored in long lines prior to the manoeuvres. The Kaiser, on board the Deutschland, steamed down the lines amid a thunder of salutes, the crews standing to attention and the drums sounding.

### TURCO-ITALIAN WAR.

#### THE PEACE NEGOTIATIONS.

London, September 17.  
A message from Reuter's correspondent at Geneva states that the "Journal Genève" says the Turco-Italian Peace delegates were surprised at the report of a rupture having taken place. They declare that the conversations continue.

A message from Reuter's correspondent at Paris states that the "Tempo" correspondent at Geneva declares that an acceptable basis of peace has been found. The principal point is a loan of £20,000,000 to enable Turkey to reorganise her finances and administration. This was the fundamental question and its acceptance is *en fait* accomplished. Matters in Tripoli have been settled to Italy's satisfaction. It is even stated that the plenipotentiaries to sign the treaty have been nominated.

Reuter's correspondent at Rome telegraphs that Signor Giornale Italia Bertolini, conducting the semi-official Turco-Italian negotiations, arrived from Ouchy and conferred with Signor Giulio Giuliano, the Foreign Minister, and returned shortly to Switzerland.

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### HUNGARIAN POLITICS.

#### FIGHT IN PARLIAMENT.

Reuter's  
[Service to the "Telegraph."]  
London, September 17.  
Reuter's correspondent at Budapest states that, despite the olive-branch held out by the announcement of the impending introduction of a Bill to make police intervention unnecessary in Parliament, when the Chamber opened this morning intense feeling was displayed.

Count Tisza, the President, was received with a torrent of abuse, and the ear-splitting din which followed developed almost into a free fight.

M. Andrássy and others were separated after an infuriated scene, but the tumult continued unabated, though Count Tisza left the chair and was replaced by the Vice-President.

At 4 o'clock a strong body of police appeared on the scene, and Count Tisza declared in the Lobby that he would employ them to quell the disturbance if necessary.

### ARCTIC EXPLORATION.

#### BRITISH EXPEDITION RESCUED.

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London, September 17.  
The British squadron visiting Christiania was much feted. Their Majesties entertained Admiral Bayly and officers to dinner at their country residence. Most cordial toasts were exchanged. A ball was given on Monday night on H. M. S. Lion, which was attended by 350 distinguished guests.

### BRITISH SQUADRON.

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London, September 17.  
Carden Hall in Cheshire, an Elizabethan half-timbered mansion, the residence of Colonel George Holdsworth, has been destroyed by fire, and many valuable pictures, art treasures and jewellery were lost. The inmates escaped in their nightdresses.

### MANSION DESTROYED.

#### INMATES' NARROW ESCAPE.

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### CHINA'S NEW FOREIGN MINISTER.

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London, September 17.  
Reuter's Peking correspondent says that Lu Cheng Hsiang, Minister of Foreign Affairs, is retiring, and will be succeeded by Liang Men Ting.

## TELEGRAMS.

### ENCOURAGING BIRTHS.

#### AUSTRALIAN SCHEMES.

Reuter's  
[Service to the "Telegraph."]  
London, September 17.  
Reuter's correspondent at Sydney states that, in addition to the Federal provisions for a bonus to parents for every child born, the Government has introduced a scheme for free compulsory medical attendance and skilled nursing in maternity cases.

The new scheme will cost \$60,000 per annum.

### NEW YORK POLICE.

#### THEIR INTEGRITY INVOLVED.

London, September 17.  
Reuter's correspondent at New York telegraphs that the District Attorney has instituted an inquiry to ascertain what has become of important documents alleged to have been seized at the time of the arrest of "Gyp the Blood" and "Lefty Louis". This has revived a tense situation, as it appears to be a question of the integrity of the police.

### THE CHINESE REPUBLIC.

#### WANTED AT PEKING.

[From Chinese Sources]  
Peking, September 17.  
President Yuan has telegraphed to Yiu Yu-ping, the general who commanded the Cantonese troops at the siege of Nanking last year, asking him to proceed to Peking. Yiu will soon start for the North.

#### YUAN'S WORRIES.

Shanghai, September 17.  
Owing to the unsuccessful raising of foreign loans in London, President Yuan is greatly worried, and, as a result, he has taken ill.

#### ANOTHER RESIGNATION.

Chau Hok-hsi, Minister of Finance, is resolved to resign on account of the financial strain on the Government.

#### DR. SUN'S EFFORT.

Dr. Sun Yat-sen has proceeded to Shan-tai in order to endeavour to influence the Chinese bankers there to contribute funds to the Government, and also to promote industry.—"Shat Po."

#### PROBLEMS WITH JAPAN.

Shanghai, September 17.

A Japanese merchant in Wu-hu is stated to have obtained a large sum of money under false pretences, namely by the issue of lottery tickets. He attempted to escape, but was arrested by a Chinese policeman. The Japanese gunboat in Wu-hu waited and insisted on the release of the man.

As a consequence, there is great agitation among the Chinese, which may lead to international complications.—"Shat Po."

#### RUSSIAN REQUEST.

Peking, September 17.

The Russian Minister at Peking has asked the Minister of Foreign Affairs to permit the establishment of a consulate at Kelgen. However, the Ministry refuses to comply with the request.

#### THE RAILWAY SCHEME.

Dr. Sun Yat-sen has asked Liang Si-yi to assist him in the development of the railway scheme.—"Shat Po."

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### BOXING.

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London, September 17.  
Reuter's correspondent at Blackfriars, Meleggan, the lightweight champion of Australia, won what was described as the Lightweight Championship of the British Empire, defeating Matt Wells, who was disqualified on a foul for hitting Meleggan twice, at the end of the fourteenth round.

### CHINA'S RESOLVE.

#### TO COMPLY WITH BRITISH SUGGESTION.

London, September 17.  
Reuter's correspondent at Peking telegraphs that the Acting Premier, in a speech in the Assembly, indicated that the Government intended to comply with the suggestions contained in the Memorandum issued by Sir John Jordan on August 28th.

In the Memorandum referred to, Sir John Jordan referred to China's intention to incorporate Tibet as a Province and declared that the Tibetans ought to be allowed to manage their own internal affairs without Chinese interference. He recommended a new Anglo-Chinese agreement as a precedent to British recognition of the Republic.

### POSSIBILITIES OF THE PHILIPPINES.

"Before American capital will be attracted to the Philippines," said Professor Piper recently, "we shall have to announce a definite future policy. Unless we are willing to announce that the Philippines are to remain American territory and permit them to be developed by American methods, material progress in the islands will be very slow.

"Personally I think we ought to adopt a policy that will permit the Philippines to be developed, as our own west was developed, by attracting the most enterprising Americans. We can do this by announcing that the Philippines are to remain American territory.

"I see no reason why we should not give the Filipinos local self-government when they are fitted for it, but in simple candour we should tell them what they must do to become ready for it when 70 per cent. of the people are able to read and write English. This will require at least two generations and disabuse the Filipino of the idea that he is ready now and entitled to self-government, an idea that he naturally maintains."

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All the papers have the largest circulation, if you doubt it, ask them; then tell us, what they tell you.

The other fellow is losing all the money. True; that is the reason he is able TO KEEP UP the advertising rate!

THEY KNOW that the other fellow is losing money hand over fist, if YOU doubt it, ask them, they will tell you candidly; "it is quite true."

The cheapest ad. is the dearest. Why? do you know your business and ask why? Do you advertise because of friendship? No? To reach the people? Yes, yes, that is the reason and it can only be accomplished by advertising in the paper that has the largest circulation. But if they all have the largest circulation, I must advertise in all the papers? Quite so. If you think

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Hongkong, 23rd September, 1912.

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H. HAYNES,  
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Hongkong, 1st Aug., 1912. [55]

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Hongkong, 1st Feb., 1912. [182]

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Hongkong 16th August, 1912. [56]

## THE FAMINE IN CHINA.

EIGHT Famine Districts, with an  
area of 30,000 square miles.TWO and a half million people  
facing starvation.PLEASE SEND YOUR CONTRIBU-  
TION TO-DAY.

IT WILL HELP TO SAVE LIFE.

Timur, H. C. GULLARD, F. M.,  
Manager, International Banking Cor-  
poration, Shanghai.

Hongkong 14th August, 1912. [56]

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## GENERAL NEWS.

Premier Lou.

Premier Lou Tsong-tsiang has been granted a further leave of absence of ten days to recuperate his health, says the "Peking Daily News."

## Canadian Pacific Dividend.

The Canadian Pacific Railway on August 12 declared dividends of 2 per cent. on the Preference stock for the half-year and 2½ per cent. on the Common stock for the quarter ended June 30.

## Berlin-New York Wireless.

A new wireless station at Nauen, near Berlin, which replaces the tower blown down in a terrific storm last March, is approaching completion. The tower is nearly 900 feet in height and its radius of action is expected to include New York.

## Shanghai Milkman Electrocuted.

A native milkman making his rounds on Bubbling Well Road, Shanghai, on the 13th inst. picked up the end of a live wire extending from a watchman's hut. He was instantaneously killed. Electricians were working in the hut and had left the wire unprotected.

## Rats in Cochin China.

Rats, says the United States Consul at Saigon, are responsible for 30 per cent. loss on the Cochin China rice crop, the export value of which last year was over six millions sterling. Infesting the rats with contagious disease has been tried, with moderate success only.

## An Ocean Newspaper.

The "Cunard Daily Bulletin," which is published every morning on all the passenger steamers in the North Atlantic services of the Cunard Line, is about to be issued in a new and enlarged form. It will follow more closely the plan of an ordinary newspaper than anything previously attempted in a "deep sea daily."

## Dare-to-Dies Mongolia.

The Anhwei and Hupei men are organizing in Peking a Ready-to-Die-Corps, that will march against the Mongols. The Chinese troops are massacring everyone in the north in a most terrible way, after the Mongols had first annihilated on the way to Taonanfu entire villages, and have most cruelly massacred women and children.

## Another Chinese Paper to Appear.

A newspaper, advocating a constitutional monarchy for China, is going to be started in Tientsin by Liang Chi-chao, leader of the Pao-huang Tang. Its initial capital will be \$500,000 and its shareholders are mostly Manchu dignitaries and dislodged Chinese officials. The newspaper headquarters have been decided to be in the Japanese settlement—"Kuo Feng Pao."

## Soochow Law College.

Chen Teh Chuan, Governor-general at Nanking, has issued instructions to Colonel Li Yin Shih to select forty military officers to study law in the Republican Law College at Soochow. Ban Shih Wan, president of the college, observed in his petition to the governor that military officers, including the army and the navy, should be thoroughly acquainted with legal subjects on rules governing prisoners of war, court martial and the like.

## Chinese Police Service.

As the result of the recent reorganization of the Chinese police service along the Mukden-Antung Line, the expense list has been cut down from Taels 58,000 to Taels 18,000, and the police force from 360 to only 160 officers and men. A general reduction has been introduced also into the salary list, the most striking instance being the case of an officer who has his salary lowered from Taels 180 to Taels 40 per month. Superintendent Liao has been obliged to resign.

## Robbery at a Prison.

The residence of the governor of Oxford Prison, which is within the precincts of the prison, has been broken into by burglars. An entrance was effected by breaking a sash window, and several rooms were visited by the intrudors, who attempted to force open drawers, but only two chests are stated to be missing. The governor, Mr. Hine, was absent on a holiday. Recently a man was committed for trial charged with committing a burglary at the house of the deputy-governor of Pentonville Prison, which adjoins the prison.

## PLANTERS AND THE LABOUR CODE.

## Molly-Coddling the Coolie.

A meeting of the Planters' Association of Malaya, held at the Chamber of Commerce, Kuala Lumpur, recently, was presided over by Mr. E. Macfadyen, who passed some strong criticisms on the recently passed Labour Code.

In the course of his speech, dealing with the Labour Code Mr. Macfadyen said that in certain matters, the Government had made actual concessions. They might as well take those first as they wanted to make the most of them. The Government had agreed that payday should be on the tenth instead of the 7th day, and they had also withdrawn the provision charging a fee for the medical examination of immigrants on arrival at the port. The draft of the Code had included limited powers granted to employers to fine coolies for certain specified offences. These powers had now been eliminated, but he did not know they were very great losers. In the matter of discharge tickets the recommendations of some of the members who had had experience of the law in Ceylon had not so far been met with a blank refusal.

The Government had not so far suggested with an open mind, and had asked for time to consider them and make enquiries. If the Association could convince the Government that the liberty of the coolies would not be seriously interfered with there was a possibility that some system of discharge tickets would before long be made law.

## The Truck Question.

Referring to the "truck" question the Chairman said that though they were not by any means certain of getting their point conceded, they had not so far received a flat refusal.

That was all they had gained, except that Government said they appreciated the trouble the Association had taken, and fully recognised the value of the criticisms which had been offered. (Laughter.) That was very nice, but there was an old adage about the insufficiency of fine words by themselves to butter parsnips. (Laughter.)

There were other matters more disappointing. The first was what was colloquially spoken of as the Perhentian Tinggi Enactment. That was a law which was passed in the course of a very few days' consideration, and at the time the Association protested, not so much against the law as against the precipitancy with which it was passed. In answer to the resolution adopted by the Association to that effect the Government replied that they fully agreed that in the ordinary way it was not desirable to pass a measure of vital importance at such short notice, and it was explained in Council that the law was for one particular case only, and would not be used in any other case.

## The Whole Thing Must be Reconsidered.

They were assured that before these powers could be put into exercise a second time the whole question would be reconsidered, and the Planters' Association would be given ample opportunity for expressing its views.

Personally he took it that the Government had found themselves in a hole and had got out of their difficulty by methods they recognised and admitted were crude and which they were prepared to modify when they had given time to consider how such modifications could be introduced.

So far from being modified, however, this law had now been included in the Labour Code, and along with it other provisions which were much more sweeping.

In the first temporary enactment, passed at the end of the last year, power was taken by the Government to enter upon any estate on learning that the condition of the coolies as regarded health or otherwise was unsatisfactory.

The Government could, if necessary, remove the entire labour force. They could come in at any given moment and say:

"This estate may no longer be used for the employment of Tamil coolies."

One would have thought that sufficiently sweeping. But the Government had dragged out from an old Straits Settlement enactment provisions relating to

indentured Tamil labour, an entirely different thing from free labour. It had now been made the law that not only might the Government come in and say an estate had been proved to be unfit for Tamil coolies, but having sold them a block of land, they might, at the very beginning of things, refuse to allow them to employ Tamil coolies to turn that block into an estate.

The Association recognised and admitted that in this country, in the exceptional circumstances here, it was quite necessary that the Government should have extreme powers to deal with imported labour. But they did say that if these powers rested in the Government they must be exercised subject to some reference to some authority other than the executive officers of Government.

(Hear, hear.)

How the Law Should be Used.

The proposal which they made, just to put the thing in concrete shape, was that law and its allied provisions should not be used except after reference to a small commission or committee which should include a judge. The Government said that was an improper use to which to put a judge, but he noticed that one of them did not consider it beneath his dignity to sit on a commission on rickshaw rioters in Kuala Lumpur. (Laughter.) He believed the law when printed would be found to contain an amendment that an employer proceeded have against should an opportunity of showing cause against such an order being made, and to call any evidence he might desire. They were assured that the Chairman of the Local District Planters' Association, for instance, would be called in, and that the manager in that way would be allowed to bring pressure upon the Government.

He regretted to say that for his own part he did not value these verbal assurances. They committed the man who made them, and who doubtless stood by them quite honourably, but he was born to-day and in Fiji or East Africa to-morrow, and that verbal assurance committed nobody but himself. That amendment did not appear to him (the speaker) to be of the slightest importance. They must continue to press for modifications which would secure them against the whole business of their estates being at one stroke of the pen, and without any warning, suspended. The Government were quite right to protect labour, but the Government claimed omniscience as well as omnipotence; capital also was entitled to protection. Both employers and coolies came there freely, independently, and with the hope of gain, and knowing full well where they were coming to. Protecting the coolie could be overdone to the point of molly-coddling him. Where would that country be at the present moment if those clauses had been in force 15 or 20 years ago? One thing he would say was quite certain: they would have had no railway. (Hear, hear.)

There were other matters more disappointing. The first was what was colloquially spoken of as the Perhentian Tinggi Enactment. That was a law which was passed in the course of a very few days' consideration, and at the time the Association protested, not so much against the law as against the precipitancy with which it was passed. In answer to the resolution adopted by the Association to that effect the Government replied that they fully agreed that in the ordinary way it was not desirable to pass a measure of vital importance at such short notice, and it was explained in Council that the law was for one particular case only, and would not be used in any other case.

## The Whole Thing Must be Reconsidered.

They were assured that before these powers could be put into exercise a second time the whole question would be reconsidered, and the Planters' Association would be given ample opportunity for expressing its views.

Personally he took it that the Government had found themselves in a hole and had got out of their difficulty by methods they recognised and admitted were crude and which they were prepared to modify when they had given time to consider how such modifications could be introduced.

So far from being modified, however, this law had now been included in the Labour Code, and along with it other provisions which were much more sweeping.

In the first temporary enactment, passed at the end of the last year, power was taken by the Government to enter upon any estate on learning that the condition of the coolies as regarded health or otherwise was unsatisfactory.

The Government could, if necessary, remove the entire labour force. They could come in at any given moment and say:

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In England he was adviser to a board or committee, which in turn was controlled by the Local Government Board. That was the kind of system the Association asked the Government to adopt.

Creation of Boards.

They asked that rural boards should be created, including planter members, but with an official majority in every case. But the Government simply flouted the whole thing. The Chief Secretary wrote that one of the chief objects of the Labour Code was to introduce uniformity in administration. (Laughter.) What reason there could be for uniformity in hospitals or latrines between Kuala Lumpur and Klang, Malacca and Johore, Ipoh and the Dindings, it passed his wit to conceive. He should have said one of the great advantages secured by the rural boards would be that they would secure an intelligent diversity. The Government insisted on maintaining the indefensible and hopeless position by which the same man who, as medical officer, reported on an estate, advised the Resident as to what instructions were to be given to that estate, while if the planter appealed he could only do so to the Resident, whose adviser was the same person who originally gave the order. That was an impossible position. He believed the Government had missed a great opportunity when they refused to consider the proposals of the Association.

It now remained the clear duty of the Association to press for an alteration of the law on the points touched upon by him, and to continue doing so by every means in their power, in this country as well as in England, until they had gained their points. Loud applause.

The Loss of the Koun Maru.

The following further particulars are given by the "Japan Gazette" of the 5th instant regarding the loss of the Koun Maru. The Koun Maru was lost with nearly all her crew during the storm of the 1st instant. The ill-fated vessel was of 2,878 tons, and was owned by Mr. S. Nakamura, of Chinnampo. En route to Yokohama from Moji with a cargo of coal, she encountered the recent storm off Rock Island (Mikoto-mojima), in Izu province, at about 10 p.m. on the 1st, and founded. She had a crew of about forty. All on board were lost, with the exception of Captain S. Ito and a quartermaster. The two survivors were adrift until the 3rd and 4th respectively, when they were rescued by fishing boats.

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#### THE COMING RUBBER CRISIS.

No one financially interested in rubber can, unless he deliberately stuck his head in the sand, ostrich-fashion, fail to see that big upheavals in this industry are approaching. The latest addition to the many warning signs is Reuter's telegram to the effect that Brazil now frankly admits that competition from the Orient is seriously threatening the South American trade. This admission counts all the more inasmuch as, till lately, the holders of shares in South American-grown rubber fondly believed that any attempt to acclimatising the *hevea Brasiliensis* in the Far East could never meet with more than half success. Such ideas were all very well so long as the plants were only plants. But what were tiny twigs and seedlings four years or so ago, are now trees, ripe for tapping; and the London market is realising this. Moreover, a glance ahead will further remind the investing world that the competition between East and West has not even seriously begun yet; that, in a year or two, the already formidable opposition of Ceylon and the Federated Malay States is to be strengthened by the wealth of latex which Sumatra and Borneo will be able to pour on to the market.

Those whose interest in rubber is not an immediately financial one will—like the proverbial lookers on who see most of the game—easily realise that, out of such keen competition, good must arise for the general public. What is most extraordinary to the lay mind is the fact that the thousands who, a year or two ago, shot their money into Eastern rubber like corn out of a sack, were unable to see that a time was quickly coming when competition must have its natural, and only possible, effect on prices; and that it could only be a matter of time for rubber to reach a certain low figure and (with trifling temporary variations) to remain there. A little more "cutting," a little more excess of supply over demand, and rubber will be—like tobacco or tea or cocoa—just a comfortably good speculation, and nothing more; and those good folk who have indulged in visions of cent per cent. profits must expect a rude awakening.

Nor can any sober-minded person ignore the effect on the rubber-world that "synthetic" is shortly to have. As a rubber-planter stated in our columns some time ago, the idea of artificially produced rubber is no more far-fetched than that of beet-sugar or of chemically manufactured indigo; these two last have come to stay, and in a few years will, so far as one can judge, probably see synthetic rubber as much an article of commerce and daily use as they, or any other recognised manufacture. Thus, with a third party in the field, we may look to find the rivalry between Eastern and Western growers but a short-lived one, then will probably follow a short period of combination of the two old forces against the new, and finally, a happy truce-signing between all three.

#### DAY BY DAY.

The man who fears pleasure is of finer stuff than the man who hates it.

**Gunboat Returns.**  
The French gunboat Vigilante has returned from Canton.

#### Japanese Charged with Kidnapping.

At the Police Court, this morning, a Japanese woman was remanded in bail of \$250, on a charge of kidnapping a Japanese child from Japan.

#### Mr. Mackie Returns.

Mr. A. J. Mackie, who has been ill in hospital, suffering from malaria, was able to take up his duties at the Criminal Sessions, as interpreter, this morning.

#### Operetta.

An operetta by a juvenile company is being arranged for Sept. 27, at the R. A. Theatre. The entertainment is under the patronage of Lady May.

#### Reported Burglary.

A burglary is reported from Aplichau. It is stated that a man broke into a shop and stole property valued \$40. The police at Aberdeen have the matter in hand.

#### Found on a Prisoner.

At the Criminal Session this afternoon, evidence was given of what was found on a prisoner's clothing on being searched. He had \$2.50 in money, four cigarettes, a revolutionary badge, revolutionary army discharge and certificate, a girdle and fifteen pawn tickets.

#### British Subject as Portuguese Consul.

On the 8th August last Mr. George d'Almeida, as a British subject, wrote to the Straits Government asking whether he could accept the appointment of Portuguese Consul at Singapore. He has just received an answer that the British Government has no objection to his accepting the post.

#### Telegraph Communication with Foochow.

The typhoon of yesterday interrupted the wires connecting Foochow City with the Cable Station at Sharp Point and the service between those two points had yesterday to be conducted by boat, but repairs were effected this morning and normal communication was reopened by 10 a.m.

#### Hongkong Association Football League, Second Division.

The meeting of the Hongkong Association Football League, Second Division, will be held in the Offices of Messrs. Ellis and Ellis, 14a Des Vaux Road on Wednesday, 2nd October, 1912, at 5.30 p.m. for the purpose of electing Office Bearers for ensuing year.

#### The Razack Case.

Three of the charges originally preferred against Moosa Abdool Razack in connection with the unlawful removal of opium and attempting to bribe a public servant named Silva, were withdrawn, before Mr. Melbourne, this afternoon. The only charge proceeded with was the one of removing the opium without a permit. Defendant pleaded guilty and was fined \$250.

#### CHINESE FOR AUSTRALIA.

According to figures supplied for May by the Commonwealth Statistician, the entry of Chinese into Australia during the first four months of the year numbered 802—an increase of 377 over the similar period of 1911. The Secretary of the Department of External Affairs does not attach any special significance to this increase; he does not think that more Chinese are coming into Australia than have a right by reason of previous residence there. His opinion is that the large influx is due to the fact that owing to good times in Australia, the Chinese have been making more money than in previous years, and have been able to afford trips to their native land.

#### THE ALLEGED COINERS.

At the Police Court, this morning, before Mr. E. A. Irving, Mr. Lewis of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master, applied for bail in the case of the man and woman, remained in custody on a charge of being in possession of several thousand pounds American coin. The request was declined.

## MODERN ENOCH ARDEN.

### MAN NOW IN HONGKONG RELATED AN AMAZING STORY.

#### STRANGE ADVENTURES OF CHARLES C. JONES.

The well known poem of that name was only fiction.

In the person of Charles C. Jones, now in Hongkong, we have a far more interesting story—that is fact.

Mr. Jones told his strange—and in many ways, sad—history to a "Telegraph" representative, prefacing it by saying:

"I know that were it not for my letters and other papers, no one would believe such a series of wanderings and adventures possible. However, as the American Consul is satisfied that I am the 'dead returned to life,' I will tell them to you. I married in Boston, just after the Civil War, in which I fought with the 24th Massachusetts Volunteers. I was in the battle of Spotsylvania, on General Stephenson's staff, until he was killed. Then at the fight at Petersburg,—just before the fall of Richmond. After that I was appointed to General Terry's staff and saw action at the battle of Newbern, North Carolina, and shortly after, at Little Washington. The next engagement was at Morris Island,—outside of Charleston. I was then transferred to General Hancock's staff, on which I remained until the close of the war. I lost these fingers—"holding up a badly maimed right hand"—in a skirmish in Western Virginia, when we tore up a mile of tracks so that supplies should not reach the Confederate troops.

"When I got back to Boston things went wrong, financially, and I tried the west—and failed again. In the meantime, kind friends,—"You know the kind I mean?"—The old man smiled whimsically—"turned my wife against me, and my house was burned down and the insurance money paid to her. Hearing of this I came back to Boston only to find my family very cold. They said that I could go where I please. I was young, and sometimes the spirit of a young man is easily broken. Mine was, though were those days here again it would be a different matter.

"So in '79 I took passage in a small barge,—the "B. Webster,"—for Australia and reached Melbourne after 116 days with \$20. The Melbourne Exposition was on then, but work was scarce. In one way and another I picked up a little money and on Cup Day a total stranger gave me a tip on a 'sure thing.' I was desperate and staked all I had. The horse won at tremendous odds and I left the course with £8,000. I sent a cheque by J. J. Storrows, of Boston, to my wife and started for the new boom in the gold fields of Snowy River and Dark River, and did fairly well. Came back to Melbourne, and then on to Sydney. Thence, prospecting with the best mate man could have,—Christie Palmerston,—into Queensland,—that was in '81. I had had no acknowledgement of the first cheque I sent home, but I sent another, and started for the Kimberley gold-fields. That was the time of the big 'rush.' Well,—to cut a long story short,—I went 'broke,'—everybody did, and I finally reached Kossack (W. Australia), with sixpence.

I managed to earn enough there to go in partnership with the owner of a pearl lugger, and we had luck enough to be able to buy up two more luggers. Our grounds lay off N. W. Australia and in the South Seas, and we did well until we lost all of our vessels in a storm in the Southern Pacific, in '85.

I got back to Sydney and came down with fever, Dr. Fox

#### THE DACRE CASTLE.

##### Total Loss in Typhoon at Keelung.

Word was received to-day that the "Dacre Castle," of about 5,000 tons gross, was caught in the severe typhoon of two days ago, blown ashore and totally wrecked off Keelung. The Company's agents of that place wire to the effect that the crew are thought to have been all saved, but that a complete tally has not yet been taken.

So far as Messrs. Dodwell & Co., the Agents in Hongkong, know there were no passengers on board.

The Dacre Castle was a steel screw steamer of 4,261 tons gross displacement and 2,055 tons net. She was employed on Messrs. Dodwell and Company's regular shipping service between Boston and New York and the Far East, and was to have left here for Amoy or on about the 20th inst.

She was built in 1908 by Messrs. R. Craggs & Co., Ltd., of Middlesbrough, for the Lancashire Shipping Company, Ltd., of which Messrs. J. Chambers and Company, were managers. Her length over all was 330 feet breadth 50.5 feet and depth 5.42 feet. She was classed 100 A1 at Lloyd's, flew the British flag, and her port of registry was Liverpool.

#### IMPERIAL WIRELESS.

##### Marconi Company and the Colonial Office.

A White Paper has been issued containing correspondence relating to the contract for Imperial wireless stations. In March, 1910, Marconi's Wireless Telegraph Company (Limited) submitted to the Colonial Office proposals for establishing wireless telegraph communication throughout the British Empire, and asked for licences, and following a reminder in November the same year, Mr. Harcourt on December 2 replied that the matter was still under consideration by the Government.

Ten days later Marconi's Company pointed out the urgency of the matter, and inquired at what date it was anticipated the Government's decision would be reached. On December 28, Mr. Harcourt replied that it was proposed that the subject of wireless telegraphy throughout the British Empire in its application to self-governing dominions should be discussed at the Imperial Conference of 1911.

According to the official document, there was no further correspondence until February 13 this year, when the Marconi Company in a letter to the Post Office, referred to the sending back on the previous day of the draft tender for the erection of long-distance wireless stations, pointing out that the company had made certain alterations in the conditions of the tender, particulars of which have already been published.

On February 24, the Postmaster-General forwarded a copy of the Marconi tender to the Treasury for consideration, and in the beginning of March the Marconi Company were informed by the Postmaster-General that he had received the authority of the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury to accept the tender for the erection of wireless stations of the imperial chain, subject to modifications, which have previously come under public notice. In their reply the Marconi Company regretted not to have been able to accept the modifications in their entirety, and confirmed various alterations which resulted from subsequent interviews. These alterations referred, among other matters, to the agreement which was concluded in 1908.

The Chief Engineer said he was down below and on hearing the noise he came up to see what was the matter and a man chased him with a pistol on the head. He was almost unconscious and he tried to climb up the ladder but the man fired at him and a bullet went through his left wrist and then he became unconscious. He had never seen the prisoner before and he could not identify him.

The Chief Engineer said he was down below and on hearing the noise he came up to see what was the matter and a man chased him with a revolver. He went down stairs and hid himself.

The police now asked for a reward.

Mr. Harris said he would like his Worship to ask where Wong Lin was. If he was not there he (Mr. Harris) would sit down. This man went to Canton, they were told, whereas his client said he saw him at the Court yesterday.

Mr. Irving said he was in the dark on this matter, he would advise the Marconi Company, the acceptance of their tender, subject to the altered modifications confirmed at interviews before referred to.

#### The Reason.

A woman who had been fined \$1 for a trivial offence by Mr. E. A. Irving, this morning, complained that the constable tore her coat. The Constable—She would

#### NOTES AND COMMENTS.

##### Spitting.

A Shanghai paper complained very strongly of the habit, common among Chinese of all grades, of spitting wherever and whenever occasion arises. As a counterblast, our contemporary suggests the distribution of literature and the delivering of lectures on the evil, from a health point of view, of this pleasing practice. This is all very well; the same idea suggested itself to Hongkong Europeans a couple of years ago. Europeans and the more educated Chinese might be to some extent influenced by such means;

but the coolie class vastly outnumbers any other in this Colony, and we have yet to find the coolie who shows any disposition to interest himself in matters hygienic. To plaster the town with notices that the chief offenders cannot even read cannot do a deal of good, though in some cases their curiosity may lead them to ask for an explanation of the placard and some good may in this way be accomplished.

#### The Disappearing Typhoon.

Where are all these typhoons going anyhow? Last evening one sprang up from no-one (outside the Observatory) knew where. Early in the evening it was within 300 miles, and people had visions of the 1906 anniversary being duly celebrated, if it may so be put. It seemed to be a typhoon of fairly local origin without connection with the two reported in our columns yesterday.

One of these was W. of Guam and so well out of danger's way. The other entered the coast to the south of Foochow yesterday morning, and is said to have recurred. It must have made a marvellous curve to have offered danger to shipping in the harbour, or to ships leaving the harbour, which alone justifies the hoisting of signals. Anyhow the signals were up at midnight and were gone by morning. So was the typhoon, which is evidently of a playful nature and cannot make up its mind what to be at. At the time the typhoon notices were being distributed to householders at the Peak the glass was rising and has since then been rising steadily!

##### Why?

We are not surprised to note that the State Council at Peking has directed the pointed enquiry to the Government why Dr. Sun Yat-sen has been invested with "full powers" to arrange for the development of railway enterprises throughout the Republic, and that it is argued that this is an encroachment on the powers of the Ministry of Communications. As everybody knows, Dr. Sun has very advanced ideas on the question of China's need of railways, and while there is much to be commended in certain of his aspirations along these lines, the fact has to be borne in mind that the ex-President of China is at present not even possessed of any official rank whatever. Why, therefore, he should be given powers to form a Railway Corporation aiming at the construction of 70,000 miles of railways, it is hard to see. The whole thing is wrapped in ambiguity, for no-one appears to know the full meaning of the phrase "full powers." In any case, it is difficult to reconcile widespread delegation of duties of this kind to one man, and he not an official, in a country which has opened its arms to Republicanism.

#### STRIKING FUNERAL PROCESSION.

Queen's Road was blocked for some time this afternoon in order to permit of the passage of the funeral cortège of Mr. Loo Po Son, one-time President of the Canton-Hankow Railway. Banners, gilded chairs and parapluies, richly emblazoned silk embroidery, flowers, gilt palms, and many other tributes were carried in a long procession that lasted twenty-five minutes. The women of the family wore white over their faces, and the children a white band across their foreheads. Rickshaws followed the chief mourners, and the entire procession was carried out at a solemn, measured pace.

**SPECIAL CABLES.****AN EMPTY TREASURY.  
CHINA'S NEED OF FUNDS.**

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Shanghai, September 17.  
At a meeting of the National Council the Minister of Finance emphasised the emptiness of the Treasury and the urgent need of funds, predicting the failure of the London loan.

**AN ADVANCE.**

Shanghai, September 18.  
A preliminary instalment of half a million sterling from the London loan was paid yesterday.

Much speculation exists as to whether the British Government will announce its adherence to the policy of the Powers or whether it will reiterate Sir Edward Grey's assurance of exclusive support to the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank.

**SIX-POWER NEGOTIATIONS.**

The National Council has approved of the re-opening of negotiations with the Six Power group, but stipulates that there shall be no agreement until the same has been referred to the Council.

**MONGOLIA AND TIBET.**

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Shanghai, September 17.  
The Peking National Council, in secret session, discussed the question of the future of Mongolia and Tibet and advocated a modified policy in view of foreign protests.

**INTERPORT AQUATICS.**

Shanghai's Team Under Strength But Hopeful.

The team that has come from Shanghai unfortunately lacks some of its best men, but, seen to-day, Mr. E. Thacher said that they still "had hopes."

Of their original team, he said, only three were able to come.

"T. Wigton," he went on, "will be in the polo and the team race, E. J. Brown will dive, R. Berthet will dive, and try for the long distance race, and R. W. MacCabe, who is the captain, will also go in for the long distance. G. K. Brown, whom we expect to-day, will be in the polo. It may be that he, too, will go in the long distance."

"Our original team consisted of T. W. R. Wilson, Robinson, Cooke, MacCabe, Mayne, Drummond and Thacher. Drummond is ill and Mayne could not come. E. Berthet failed us at the last moment, and here we are, hoping for the best."

Mr. Lamont, in speaking of the practice yesterday, said:-

"The typhoon wind made such a nasty little sea in the pool that we could not hold the 100 yards trials, but I think that we will do very well when the total points are summed up."

**A HIGH AWARD.**

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**BOAT BUILDER DROWNED.**

It is reported that a boat builder has been drowned at Chung-shan. It appears he was effecting some repairs on a slip when he fell into the water. The body was afterward recovered.

**CRIMINAL SESSIONS.****SEVERAL MEN GET FIVE YEARS HARD LABOUR.****ARMED ROBBERY AND KIDNAPPING CHARGES.**

This morning in the Supreme Court, the Chief Justice, Mr. W. Rees Davies, K.C., opened the Criminal Sessions for September. The first case was one in which Lam, Sing was charged with escaping from prison.

Prisoner pleaded guilty.

The Chief Warden, Mr. Passmore, said prisoner was serving a sentence of three years for larceny, and he had done four months and nineteen days of the sentence.

The Attorney General, the Hon. Mr. J. A. S. Bucknill said that the prisoner had one year's hard labour on April 1, 1908 for stealing; in 1909, on February 11, he had eighteen months for stealing, and on September 24, 1910 he received twelve months' hard labour under the banishment ordinance, and three years' hard labour for larceny.

His Lordship:—How did he escape?

The Attorney General:—He seems to have been missed. How he actually escaped, I don't think anyone knows.

The Chief Warden:—He got through a window. He prised the bars of the window open.

His Lordship:—Has he anything to say why sentence should not be passed upon him?

The Court Interpreter:—He asks your Lordship for mercy, as he has admitted all.

His Lordship:—You have pleaded guilty to escaping from prison, which is a serious offence in itself. The sentence of the court is that you be imprisoned for twelve months, the sentence to follow on the sentence which you are at present undergoing.

KIDNAPPER GETS FIVE YEARS.

The second case concerned a charge against Lo Cheuk, who pleaded guilty to stealing a child, with intent to deprive its father of possession.

His Lordship:—Ask him whether he understands he has pleaded guilty to detaining a child of seven years and depriving the father of the custody of it?

The prisoner:—Yes my lord.

Outlining the facts, the Attorney General said that a Chinese policeman, a detective, was on the boat coming down from Canton, and he saw the accused, with a little child. He had no luggage with him, and the detective thought that the circumstances were rather peculiar. On the boat's arrival in Hongkong, the detective spoke to the accused, and asked him what he was doing with the child. The accused prevaricated and then ran away. The detective, with the assistance of another man caught him, and he then admitted the charge that he had kidnapped the boy. The mother and father were in court, and they would say that they did not know the accused, nor did they give him any permission to take the child away.

The Attorney General, instructed by the Crown Solicitor, prosecuted.

The Attorney General said that this was another case of armed burglary. In this case they had before them five men. There was no doubt that, on August 1 of this year, a house was broken into at night by a gang of armed men, and a large number of articles of various kinds were stolen from the inhabitants. There were several people in the house at the time and they all lost different sorts of articles. Consequently if several people lost several sorts of articles, he would have to be very careful to explain to them which articles, which person lost. As regarded the first prisoner, he was actually identified by two witnesses. They saw him at the robbery and they both identified him perfectly clearly. When he was charged, he made a statement which was practically an admission that he was there. He said:—"I did go but I did not enter the house, some one else told me to go to the robbery. I did go but I did not enter the house." Two of the inhabitants said they saw him distinctly. The third accused was also identified by two witnesses but in addition to that he had in his possession a pair of trousers stolen from the house, a jacket, and a pawn ticket for another pair of trousers. In his statement at the police station he said:—"So and so" told me to go to the robbery; I did go but I did not enter the house." As regarded prisoner No. 2, the evidence against him was weak. He was identified by one person as

being in the house, and that substantially, was the only evidence against him. Those three were the only prisoners who were really alleged to have been actually present at the robbery. Number 4 was arrested carrying an umbrella and a parcel of silk clothing taken from the house, while No. 5 was caught carrying stolen goods, and he had in his possession pawn tickets relating to other of the stolen articles.

Continuing, counsel said the robbery was one of the usual type. A gang of men entered the house with knives, terrified the inhabitants, held up the whole place, and took what they wanted.

There were fourteen witnesses for the prosecution, one of whom died since the prisoners has been committed.

The case was proceeding as we went to press.

**"CANDIDA."**

Mr. Wilkie's Company Scores a Big Success.

To stage one of Bernard Shaw's plays in Hongkong, as Mr. Allan Wilkie did last night, was something of an experiment; but it was an experiment attended with striking success. Shaw appeals to a public essentially his own—a public which cares less for action than for character and temperament, and atmosphere. How many plays has one seen in which the action is confined, as in "Candida", to one day and to one room? They are few in number. For the usual stage tricks Shaw cares nothing. Movement, in the ordinary sense of the term, Shaw scorns. Yet there is more movement in his plays than is commonly admitted; but it is the quick movement of minds and is intensely attractive to theatre-goers who are prepared to think rather than merely to see—and and.

All this demands culture and artistry of a high order from those who would present such a play as "Candida". It is not sufficient merely to speak the lines, with some talent, and let the story unfold itself. The characters have to be realised, have to be clearly and carefully limned, or the whole presentation is a failure. The Rev. James Morell, Eugene Marchbanks, and Candida herself must be made actual and living persons. We have seen many plays where two characters were alive and the remainder were puppets; yet they were quite successful plays. That will not do in such a Shavian play as "Candida"; for the drama depends wholly on the meeting and clashing of temperaments, and a weakness in any one of them would ruin the whole.

It is impossible, therefore, to praise too highly the work of the little company last night. Mr. Wilkie himself realised very vividly for his hearers the Rev. James Morell, the socialist parson, strong in his beliefs, especially in his belief in himself, and yet with all the weakness (have we not seen it often?) of a strong man's strength. Hardly less successful was Mr. G. F. Weir, who as Eugene Marchbanks, the poet, physically weak even to cowardice, yet gifted with the quality of divination and wonderful intellectual courage, was more than clever once he was warmed to his work. These two were excellent foils to each other.

But—"Candida"—loving, whimsical, tender, brilliant, elusive—in the hands of Miss F. Hunter-Watts was about the most successful of the three. She touched a high note of genuine artistry at the outset and maintained it throughout. The others were not less excellent, and Mr. Stafford Dawson who took the part of Mr. Burgess (an example of Shaw's brilliance in secondary characters) at short notice, owing to the indisposition of Mr. Gordon, was brilliantly clever and effective. The cast was as follows:

Rev. J. Mayor Morell ..... Mr. Allan Wilkie  
Mr. Burgess ..... Mr. Stafford Dawson  
Eugene Marchbanks ..... Mr. G. F. Weir  
Rev. Alexander Mill ..... Mr. Hunter-Watts  
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K.O.Y.L.I. Aquatic Sports.  
Wednesday, Sept. 25.  
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Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Loonggang	J. M. & Co.	21 Sept., 2 p.m.
Foochow, &c.	Haimun	D. L. & Co.	22 September
Tamsui, &c.	Haiyang	D. L. & Co.	20 Sept., 11 a.m.
Shanghai, Moji, Kobe and Yokohama	Kajio Maru	O. S. K.	25 September
Shanghai, Kobe, &c.	Daiji Maru	O. S. K.	22 September
do	Hakata Maru	N. Y. K.	25 September
Nankin	P. O. Co.	P. & O. Co.	22 Sept., about
Flintshire	Acadia	J. M. & Co.	11 October
do	C. F. Laeisz	H. A. L.	24 September
do	Koerber	S. W. & Co.	5 October
do	Scandia	H. A. L.	10 October
do	Hiroshima Maru	N. Y. K.	30 September
Paoing	Paoing	B. & S.	19 September
Linan	Linan	B. & S.	21 September
Hangsang	Hangsang	J. M. & Co.	22 September

## To Sail

## THE "INDRA" LINE, LIMITED.

(Taking cargo on Through Bills of Lading to Rangoon, Madras, and Manilla.)	Prinz Ludwig	Vessel	DEPART TO-MORROW.
	Tiitien	Prinz Ludwig	
	Chipping	Prinz Ludwig	
	Sui Tai	Prinz Ludwig	
	Paoing	Prinz Ludwig	
	Afica	Prinz Ludwig	

## THE Steamship

"INDRASAMHA," Captain Jones, will be despatched above on 28th September.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD., General Managers, Hongkong 2nd Sept., 1912. [680]

## FOR KOREA AND MOJI.

THE Steamship

"THONGWA," Captain Fy., will be despatched for the above ports on FRIDAY, the 20th inst., at 1 p.m.

The Steamer has superior accommodation for passengers, is installed throughout with Electric Light and carries a duly certified doctor.

RETURN TOURS TO JAPAN (Occupying 30 days).

Return tickets are available by the Indo-China Steam Navigation Co.'s Steamer. Fare for round trip \$120.

For further particulars, apply to DAVID SASOON & CO., LTD., Agents.

Hongkong, 14th Sept., 1912. [680]

## MARKET PRICES.

Hongkong, September 13, 1912.  
BUTCHER MEAT.

## 肉食

	Cts.
Best Sirloin & Prime Cut,—Moi Lung Pa	lb. 20
" Corse, —Ham Ngau Yuk	20
" Roast, —Shiu	20
" Breast, —Ngau Lam	16
" Soup, —Tong Yuk	15
" Steak, —Ngau Yuk Pa	20
" do, —Sirloin Coto,—Ngau Lau	30
Sausages, —Ngau Chau	24
Bullock's Brains	Know per set 9
Tonguo fresh, —Ngau Li	each 45
" corned, —Hun Ngau Li	80
Head, —Ngau Tau	80
Heart, —Ngau Sum	12
Hump, Salt, —Ngau Kin	18
Feet, —Ngau Kask	9
Kidneys, —Ngau Yi	9
Tail, —Ngau Moi	18
Liver, —Ngau Kon	lb. 12
Trips (undressed), —Ngau To	6
Calve Head & Foot, —Ngau-chai-tau-kark	set \$1
Mutton Chop, —Yeung Pei Kwat	lb. 22
" Leg, —Young Pei	22
Shoulder, —Young Shau	20
Pigs Chittlings, —Chu Chong	22
Brain, —Chu Know	per set 24
Foot, —Chu Kurk	lb. 12
Fry, —Chu Olak	25
Head, —Chu Thau	15
Heart, —Chu Sun	each 13
Kidneys, —Chu Yiu	9
Liver, —Chu Con	lb. 30
Pork, Chop, —Chu Pai Kwat	20
Corned, —Ham Chu Yuk	—
Leg, —Chu Pe	24
Fat or Lard, —Chu Yau	15
Sheep Head and Foot, —C. Tau Kark	set. 50
Heart, —Young Sun	each 6
Kidneys, —Young Yiu	9
Liver, —Young Con	lb. 24
Sucking Pigs, To Order, —Chu Chu	22
Suet, Beef, —Sang Ngau Yau	20
Mutton, —Sang Young You	22
Veal, —Ngau Chai Yuk	20
Sausages, —Ngau Chai Chauung	20

## POULTRY.

## 生口

	Cts.
Chicken, —Kai Chai	lb. 30
Capons, Largo, Small, —Sin Kai	36
Ducks, —Ap	24
Doves, —Pun Kau	each 18
Eggs, Hen, —Kai Tan	por doz 24
Powls, Canton, —Kai	lb. 34
" Hainan, —Hoi Nam Kai	28
Geese, —Ngoi	26
Geese, Wild Sh'hai, —Shang-ho Yeu Ngoi	pair —
Musk Deer, —Wong Kong	each —
Hare, Shanghai, —Tu Chau	—
Partridge, —Che Khoo	65
Pheasant, —Shan Kai	pair \$1
Pigeons, Canton, —Pak Kup	each 32
" Hojhow, —Hoi How Pak Kup	25
Quail, —Um Chun	—
Kiss Birds, —Wo Fa Cheul	dozen —
Snipe, —Sa-Choy	each 24
Turkeys, Cook, —Phor Kai Kung	lb. 60
Hen, —Na	45
Wild Ducks, Sh'hai, —Shang-ho Sui Ap	—
Teal, —Sui Ap Choi	—
Wild Ducks Canton, —Sing-Shing Sui Ap	—

## FISH.

## 海鮮

	Cts.
Barbel, —Ka Yu	lb. 9
Bream, —Bin Yu	17
Canton Fresh Water Fish, —Ioi Sin, Yu	17
Carp, —Li Yu	20
Catfish, —Chik Yu	18
Codfish, —Mun Yu	18
Crabs, —Hai	20
Cuttle Fish, —Muk Yu	18
Dab, —Si Mang Yu	17
Dace, —Wang Mei Luan	12
Dog Fish, —Tit Tu Sa	9
Eels, Congor, —Hoi Mann	18
" Fresh water, —Tam Sin Yu	17
Eels, Yellow, —Wong Sin	28
Frog, —Tien Kai	32
Grouper, —Sei Pan	50
Gudgeon, —Pak Kup Yu	12
Herrings, —Tee Pak	20
Halibut, —Cheung Kwan Kup	32
Lebrus, —Wong Fa Yu	20
Lobster, —Wu Yu	28
Lobster, —Lung Ha	48
Mackerel, —Chi Yu	28
Monk Fish, —Mong Yu	32
Mullet, —Chai Yu	28
Oysters, —Sang Hoo	20
Parrotfish, —Kai Kung Yu	18
Perch, —Tau Loo	16
Pike, —Fa Paw Poong	8
Plaice, —Fan Yau	20
Pomfret, Black, —Pak Chong	24
Pomfret, White, —Pak Chong	36
Pawns, —Ming He Yu	48
Ray, —Pai Pa Yu	9
Rock Fish, —Sek Ka Keng	16
Seabass, —Othus Yu	10

The prices necessarily vary from day to day and the Sanitary Board has no power to compel all holders to sell at the prices quoted.

Secretary, Sanitary Board.

## Notice

**PALL MALL**  
FAMOUS CIGARETTES

Butler-Bullock  
NEW YORK

## COMMERCIAL

Investigating the Shengking Mines.

In view of the fact that Shengking Province has rich mines in great abundance, and that unwaranted mining operations have often been conducted by foreign people, the Tutuh has decided to organize an investigation Committee to make a study into the existing conditions. Orders have been given out to the various executive officials in the out-posts to start similar Committees so that full information on the mineral wealth and its development in Shengking may be obtained.—Chinese Frank Gazette.

Shanghai Share Market.  
For the week ending 12th September 1912.

Many transactions in good Rubber stocks have taken place since the issue of our last circular. Cottons and Rubbers remain steady.

Sterling Quotation:—The T.T. Rate on London to-day is 2/0.

Business Recorded:—  
September 6th:—Langkawi Tls. 62 cash and 62½ September. Soy Choes Tls. 34½ cash. Ewos Tls. 105 cash. Kung Yiks Tls. 13 cash. Shanghai Cottons Tls. 76 cash. Dominions Tls. 30 cash. Ziangbos Tls. 4.85 cash. Batu Anams Tls. 2½ cash. Chemors Tls. 0.85 and 0.90 cash. Chengs Tls. 4½ cash. Tanah Merahs Tls. 31 and 4 cash. Bukits Tls. 21 and Tls. 2.80 cash. Padeng Tls. 10 cash. Consolidateds Tls. 2.00 cash. Anglo-Dutch Tls. 1 cash. Savangas Tls. 0.45 cash. Amhersts Tls. 2.40 cash. Sungai Duris Tls. 6½ cash. Angle-Javas Tls. 7.85 cash and Tls. 8. Dooka Tls. 48 cash. Telephones Tls. 68½ cash. Tramways Tls. 55 cash. Philippines Tls. 3½ cash. Cultys Tls. 10 cash.

September 7th:—Anglo-French Lands Debentures (1908) Tls. 97½ cash. Dooka Tls. 48 cash. Anglo-Javas Tls. 8 cash. Chengs Tls. 4½ cash. Chemors Tls. 0.90 cash. Bukits Tls. 2.80 cash. Karangs Tls. 10½ cash. Padangs Tls. 10 cash. Kung Yiks Tls. 13 cash. Tramways Tls. 55½ cash.

September 9th:—Catilays (ord.) Tls. 2½ cash. (pref.) Tls. 4½ cash. Laughkate Tls. 63 cash. Internationals Tls. 63 cash. Lou Kong Mows Tls. 78½ cash. Amhersts Tls. 2.60 cash. Permatas Tls. 2½ cash. Dominions Tls. 31 cash. Chemors Tls. 0.90 and 0.95 cash. Consolidateds Tls. 2.70 cash. Pengkalans Tls. 10½ cash. Gulas Tls. 11½ cash. Astor House \$3 cash. Sungai Duris Tls. 6½ cash.

September 10th:—Cathay (ord.) Tls. 2½ (pref.) 4½ cash. Shanghai Land 5 per cent. (1901) Tls. 95 cash. S. and H. Wharfs Tls. 0.99 cash. Amhersts Tls. 2.70 cash. Dominions Tls. 30 cash. Tai-pings Tls. 0.30 cash. Senawanga Tls. 22½ cash. Batu Anams Tls. 2½ cash. Klebangs Tls. 1.80 cash. Padangs Tls. 10 cash. China Flours Tls. 10 cash. Astor House \$3 cash.

September 11th:—Consolidateds Tls. 2.70 cash. Batu Anams Tls. 2½ cash. Kota Bahros Tls. 5.40 cash. Kroewoks Tls. 74 cash. Tramways Tls. 50 cash.

September 12th:—H. and S. Banks \$840 cash. Kotas Tls. 5.50 cash. Gulas Tls. 11½ cash. Padangs Tls. 10 cash. Amhersts Tls. 2.70 cash. Dominions Tls. 30 cash. Tai-pings Tls. 0.30 cash. Senawanga Tls. 22½ cash. Batu Anams Tls. 2½ cash. Klebangs Tls. 1.80 cash. Padangs Tls. 10 cash. China Flours Tls. 10 cash. Astor House \$3 cash.

Bank of Formosa Meeting.

A general meeting of the shareholders of the Taiwan Ginko (Bank of Formosa) was held on the 2nd inst., when Mr. Yagin, in the course of his half yearly report on the bank's working, said that the money market in Formosa had been characterized by considerable tightness throughout the term under review, owing to the calls made on the shares of the sugar refineries, and demand for capital to run tea preparing operations. The Bank's branches in China are in a prosperous condition, the political situation there having become quiet since April last. The paper notes issued by the Bank averaged 18,500,000 yen, the issue on the last day of the term reaching 34,000,000 yen. Its Singapore branch was opened on the 2nd of September to assist in the development of Japan's South Sea trade, and also in view of the approaching commencement of the steamship service to the southern port. A dividend of the rate of 10 per cent. per annum was declared.

Some Discrimination Wanted.  
Other occupants of the post, however, failed to grasp the importance of the larger questions involved in the office, and were disposed to concentrate their minds on unimportant details, while the result that faults were

## COMMERCIAL

S. Manchurian Railway  
Traffic Returns.

The S. M. R. Traffic Returns for the month of August give a daily average of Y.20,494, being an increase by Y.4,702 on the corresponding month of last year. The aggregate traffic receipts April to August reach Y.5,081,490, being an increase by Y.700,107 over the corresponding five months of last year.

## Shanghai Cotton Report.

Mr. A. B. Rosenfeld writes as follows in his Cotton Market Report dated 12th September:-

**China Cotton.**—In so far as price charges are concerned the cotton market has been rather inactive during the past week, the extreme range being some few points in all the different grades with the close last night showing an undecided market as to the future course of prices which has not been experienced before thus early in the season. This week's so-called activity has been in sample lots of Tungchow and a few parcels in Ningpo "spot" and "futures" otherwise there is very little to report as far as sales are concerned.

As to the crop outlook it is decidedly less encouraging than it looked a week ago owing to the sudden change in the climatical conditions. Rain and low temperature causing another setback for the maturing crop, and from present indications it looks as though general deliveries from the interior marts will not take place as early as first anticipated. What is essentially wanted now is fine weather for the next week or so in order to give the bolls a chance to mature, by which time I hope to be in a position to give as near an estimate of the crop as figures will allow in this non-statistical country. Further there is very little comment to be made as to the near future the whole depending on the immediate weather development. Tone of the market, quiet.

## Liverpool Market:

London, 11th September, 1912.  
Egyptian Cotton, F.G.F. Brown 92  
Price of Fine M. C. Bengal ... 58  
" " Mid-American ... 6.63  
" " Mid. " last reported 6.71  
Tone of market, quiet.

New York Market:  
Price of Mid-American  
can, Closed ..... \$0.11.65 Spot  
\$0.11.35 Oct.  
\$0.11.55 Dec.  
Tone of market, easier.

Market easier.  
U.S. Agricultural Report Cotton  
Ginned to date 722,000 bales.

Indian Market:  
Branch New Crop P.M. 50 February  
Yoothmoh do " 47 Nov. Doc.  
Bengal do " 44 " "  
Tone of market, easier.

Manila Market Report:  
September 13, 1912.  
Hemp—

Good Current P25.  
Midway ..... 22.4  
25 p.c. over Fair current 20.  
U. S. Fair current 17.  
U. K. do 11.4  
Super 2nds 10.2  
Good 2nds 9.4  
Good Rods 8.9  
Maguey No. 1 9.6  
Sugar—  
Iloilo No. 1 P6.75  
" 2 6.15  
" 3 5.25  
" 4 4.05  
Manila " 1 6.  
Ilocos— 3.  
Coppa—  
Supr. Sun dried P11.5  
Leguna 11.  
F. M. Manila 11.3  
Rice—  
Saigon 2d. P7.00  
Rangoon 7.45  
Pangasinan 8.10  
2nd white 8.30 nom.  
Gram Almaciga—  
Mixed P7.20  
Coals—

Japanese ex-ship P9.00 to arrive  
Australia ex-ship per ton P10 to  
arrive.

Borneo ex-ship per ton 9.  
Freight—To U. S. Hemp,  
Manila to New York 72.6  
Boston 77.6  
Cebu to New York 75.  
Cebu to Boston 80.  
To U. K. Sugar  
to U. S. 30/3  
To U. K. Hemp, from Manila 75  
from Cebu 30.  
To Marseilles, copra. From  
Manila 42.6

## Consignees

"BARBER" LINE OF  
STEAMERS.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

"SAINT PATRICK"  
FROM NEW YORK.

**CONSIGNEES** of cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd., at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No claim will be admitted after the Goods have left the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., at Pedder Street, Hongkong, on THURSDAY, 26th day of September, 1912, at Noon, for the purpose of considering the resolution set out in the said Resolution and of passing such resolution in relation thereto as may be thought fit. The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from 10th to 30th September, both days inclusive.

## REQUISITION.

To the Directors of the China Sugar Refining Company, Ltd.

We the undersigned members of the above named Company holding in the aggregate 10,000 Shares and upwards in the Capital thereof do hereby in pursuance of the provisions in this behalf contained in Section 67 of the Company's Ordinance 1911, require you to convene an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company for the purpose of considering and if thought fit passing the subjoined Resolution.

## RESOLUTION.

That the General Agent and Consulting Committee be and they are hereby authorised and required to declare an Interim Dividend of \$8 per share and that such Dividend be paid on the first day of October, 1912, to the members who are on the Register on the thirtieth day of September, 1912.

Dated the 11th day of Sept., 1912.

R. E. Bellios, Trustee for the  
Estate of the late E. R.  
Bellios

Jau Tak Po

Ernest D. Haskell

Lau Li Chung

S. H. Michael

Sidney Michael

C. Stewart

R. J. Judah.

Dated 12th September, 1912.

The General Agents and Consulting Committee of the Company desire to make the following observation on the subject matter of the Resolution, namely that in the exercise of their discretion they do not think it prudent in the Company's interest that an Interim Dividend should be paid.

**JARDINE, MATHESON  
& CO., LTD.**

General Agents.

Hongkong, 12th Sept., 1912. [663]

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

"PEINZ WALDEMAR," having arrived, Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, and West Point Godown, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before noon to-day requesting it to be landed here.

No claim will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 22nd of Sept., will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 21st of Sept., at 9.30 A.M.

All claims must reach us before the 29th of Sept., 1912, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

**NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD,  
MELCHERS & CO.,  
General Agents.**

Hongkong, 16th Sept., 1912. [7]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

**THE ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING** of SHARE-HOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Company's Office, on SATURDAY, the 21st September, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Manager, together with a Statement of Accounts to 30th June 1912.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 7th to 21st September, both days inclusive.

**DOUGLAS, LAPRAIK, & CO.,  
General Managers.**

Hongkong, 31st Aug., 1912. [680]

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "CHINA,"

FROM SAN FRANCISCO, JAPAN PORTS & SHANGHAI.

The above mentioned vessel having

arrived Consignees of cargo are hereby notified to send in their Bills of lading for countersignature and take immediate delivery of cargo from alongside.

Cargo impending discharge will be landed at consignee's risk and expense.

Cargo remaining in board after MONDAY, 16th at Noon, will be landed at consignee's risk and expense.

Cargo remaining undelivered FRIDAY, 20th September, 1912, at Noon, will be subject to landing and storage charges.

No claims will be entertained for outage or damage, unless packages have been examined prior to delivery and list of exceptions furnished consignees.

No Fire insurance whatever will be effected.

All chafed and otherwise damaged cargo will be examined at the above Company's Godown THURSDAY, 19th Sept., 1912, at 10 A.M.

All claims must be filed on or before October 1912, otherwise they will not be recognised.

**FRED. J. HALTON,  
Agent.**

Hongkong, 18th Sept., 1912. [656]

## THE CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN AND MORTGAGE CO., LTD.

(CAPITAL PAID UP \$1,250,000.)

Loans on Mortgage of House, Property &c.

Goods received on Storage.

Advances made on Merchandise.

Loans made on the Provident System (Rates and Particulars on application).

Office of TRUSTEE, EXECUTOR OF WILLS ATTORNEY &c.

Calendars and Executed.

SILVER, GOLD & CO.,

General Managers.

Hongkong, 16th Sept., 1912. [656]

## THE CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

**SAINT PATRICK** FROM NEW YORK.

**CONSIGNEES** of cargo are hereby informed that in pursuance of the requisition set out hereafter, which has been lodged at the Registered Office of the Company on the 12th day of September 1912 by or on behalf of the persons whose names are not set out at the bottom of such requisition an Extraordinary Meeting of the Company will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., at Pedder Street, Hongkong, on THURSDAY, 26th day of September, 1912, at Noon, for the purpose of considering the resolution set out in the said Resolution and of passing such resolution in relation thereto as may be thought fit. The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from 10th to 30th September, both days inclusive.

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**"STRIKE THE POLICE."**

**Alleged Angry Chinese Throw Stones at Officers.**

At the Police Court, this morning, two hawkers who, it was alleged, would not obey the orders of an Indian constable to put their wares on the side channel, were charged with assaulting the police.

Mr. Woodhouse conducted the case for the prosecution, and Mr. Southern Russ, of Messrs. Goldring and Barlow, defended.

According to the statement of Sergeant Floyd, the Indian constable cautioned a hawker to keep clear of the pavement, but he took no notice. When the constable was arresting him the second hawker assaulted the constable and when, with the aid of another officer, he was taking the defendants to the station a crowd followed calling out "Ta Chai Yau" (Strike the Police) and threw stones at them.

**Throw Stones and Fruit.**

Indian Constable 800 said that yesterday at 4.30 p.m. he was on duty in D'Aguilar Street and he saw the first defendant and other hawkers there with their stalls, and he warned them not to cause an obstruction. He told them not to place their stalls on the footpath but to put them six feet apart on the side channel. At the time the first defendant had his goods on the road. When he returned he found that the defendant had his goods in the same place and had not obeyed his orders. He then arrested the defendant and asked him to go to the station.

The first defendant then turned to the second defendant and said "He is taking me to the station." The second defendant thereupon struck witness on the side and chest. There were other Chinese there and they commenced to throw stones and fruit. He detained both of the defendants and with the assistance of another constable he took them to the station. He asked some coolies to carry the first defendant's stall but the Chinese who were there said: "Don't carry the stall," and the coolies refused to carry it. The defendants went quietly to the station.

**Cross-examined.**

By Mr. Russ: The stall was on the road when he first went up. There were two stalls and two baskets placed in the road, not in the side channel. He said the sergeant told him to put the stall in the road. He saw bananas on the stall but he did not take one. He was not a constable who would take a banana; therefore he could not be asked to pay for one. He did not say when he came back that he was going to move the stall and would kick the whole thing over. The stall was not knocked over. He did not seize hold of the first defendant and strike him on the face. He did not stop on an umbrella and smash it. He did take the defendants to the station and charge them with assaulting him. He did ask coolies to carry the stall to the station but the man brought into Court was not the man he asked. He did not hear any coolie say that he would not carry the stall because it was so broken. The stall was not broken. It was true that a crowd followed him. They followed him as far as Lyndhurst Terrace—about two minutes walk. He did not meet any other officers.

Mr. Woodhouse: These men must appear extremely stupid, I am sure, but they find it very difficult to understand the interpretation. All the questions must be repeated two or three times. They talk Punjabi.

His Worship: Oh, very well.

**Called Out "Strike."**

Indian Constable 743 said he saw Chinese throwing stones and fruit at the last constable. He arrested the first defendant. The defendants called out "Strike," and Chinese commenced to throw stones at them. Both the other constable and himself saw bricks thrown. He saw the stalls of the defendants lying in the road. If they had tried to pick up the stall the Chinese would have assaulted them.

By Mr. Russ: The people got the fruit that they threw at the police from a stall on the road

side. The stall was not upset. The fruit was taken from the baskets forming the stall. He asked a coolie to carry the stall, but he could not say who he was. They were calling out "strike." He saw the first defendant throwing fruit, but not the second because he was in custody. The latter, however, was calling out "strike."

The first defendant said he was a hawker and had permission to have a stall at the top of D'Aguilar Street. His stall was on the side channel. About four o'clock yesterday, the first Indian constable came and pulled his things from the side channel into the road. When he came to his stall he took a banana and he asked him for one cent. The constable would not pay him and he overturned his stall into the road. He did not say why he did that. The constable then caught hold of him and slapped him. He then told witness to take it away, but the stall was smashed. The first witness took him to the station. Another constable came and arrested the second defendant. He did not assault the constable. He had been there twenty two years and he knew it was unlawful to assault the police.

By His Worship: The first witness blew a whistle to arrest the other defendant who was picking up his things.

**"Nothing More."**

His Worship: Do you mean to tell me that this constable took a banana and you asked him for payment and he kicked your stall over; that is all that happened. Come what did happen?

Defendant: Nothing more.

His Worship: Then it is ridiculous.

The other defendant corroborated the story told by the first hawker. He was arrested, he said, because he picked up the other man's things.

Another witness for the defence said he saw the constable in D'Aguilar Street pull the stall and upset it. He had been a hawker for forty years and had never been in trouble.

His Worship: So you have been a good hawker, have you?

Witness smilingly acknowledged the Magisterial compliment, and said he did not hear the police whistle blow, as he was rather deaf.

His Worship: Did you see another constable there?

Witness: No.

His Worship: Were you blind too? (laughter).

The first defendant was fined \$7 and the second \$5.

**THE TYPHOON.**

Considerable surprise was created at about 5.40 o'clock last evening by the hoisting of signals indicating that a typhoon was situated to the north-east of the Colom within the 300 miles area. Earlier in the day it had been noticed that a typhoon had entered the coast to the south of Hongkong, and as this was the only disturbance of which Hongkong had been informed (save one west of Guam, about 1,000 miles distant), it was naturally thought that all danger of a visitation was past.

It appears, however, according to-day's report from the Observatory, that the typhoon which entered near Foochow curved west, then south-west and finally south, passing within 200 miles of Hongkong. At 11.50 a.m. today it was located central between Swatow and Luzon, and was then filling up. If the Observatory calculations be correct, the typhoon took a most remarkable track.

When the signals were hoisted last evening there was a rush on the part of native craft to the shelter at Causeway Bay, while a number of steamers put off to less exposed spots than the open harbour, lest the worst should happen. The signals were lowered at 6.20 this morning.

The German mail steamer Prinz Ludwig, which left Shanghai on Saturday, was due here last night, but at the time of writing she has not been signalled. She was to have called at Foochow, and has probably experienced a rough trip.

**POST OFFICE.****SIBERIAN ROUTE, SUPERSCRIPTION, UNNECESSARY FOR EUROPE.**

Letters and postcards for Europe will in future be despatched by the route of Siberia unless marked by the sender for transmission by another route. Printed matter and samples will continue to be sent by the Suez Canal.

**MAILS VIA SIBERIA.**

Left	Due	Shanghai
Aug. 28	Sept. 14	Sept. 1

**MAILS DUE.**

Siberian, Linan, 19th Inst.
American, Chiyo Maru, 27th Inst.
American, Nippon Maru, 18th prox.

**MAILS CLOSE.**

Swatow and Siam—Per Landat Sollef, 19th Sept., 8 A.M.
Straits, Burnham, Ceylon, Adelaide, Western Australia, India, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Naples—Per Prins Ludwig 19th Sept., 9 A.M.

Swatow, Weihaiwei and Tientsin—Per Chipching, 19th Sept., 11 A.M.

Macao—Per Sui Tai, 18th Sept., 1.15 P.M.

Shanghai and North China—Per Footing, 19th Sept., 8 P.M.

Pakhoi, Haiphong and Saigon—Per Hongkong, 20th Sept., 9 A.M.

Swatow, Andy and Foochow—Per Hayang, 20th Sept., 10 A.M.

Straits and India via Calcutta—Per Japan, 20th Sept., noon.

Japan via Yokohama—Per Fults, 20th Sept., 11 A.M.

Japan via Kobe—Per Thongwa, 20th Sept., noon.

Macao—Per Sui Tai, 20th Sept., 1.15 P.M.

Samarang and Sourabaya — Per Tjibodas, 21st Sept., 11 A.M.

Philippine Islands, Australia, Tasmania and New Zealand via Port Darwin—Per Taiyuan, 21st Sept., 11 A.M.

Philippines—Per Loongsang, 21st Sept., 1 P.M.

Samara and South Amaya—Per Helm, 21st Sept., 1 P.M.

Macao—Per Sui Tai, 21st Sept., 1.15 P.M.

Philippines—Per Iribi, 21st Sept., 3 P.M.

Cheloo and Nowchung—Per Ningpo, 21st Sept., 8 P.M.

Changha and North China—Per Linan, 21st Sept., 5 P.M.

Shanghai and North China—Per Hangshang, 21st Sept., 5 P.M.

Haiphong, Pakhoi and Saigon—Per Sungklang, 21st Sept., 5 P.M.

Swatow—Per Haimun, 22nd Sept., 9 A.M.

Shanghai, North China and Japan via Kobe—Per Katsang, 24th Sept., 10 A.M.

Shanghai, North China and Japan via Moji—Per Nankin, 22nd Sept., 9 A.M.

Straits and India via Calcutta—Per Namang, 23rd Sept., 11 A.M.

Straits and Burmah—Per Muttra, 23rd Sept., 11 A.M.

Shanghai, North China and Japan via Kobe—Per Kutang, 24th Sept., 10 A.M.

Saigon, Straits, Ceylon, Adelaide, Western Australia, India, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles (Letter posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail) (Late Letter 11.00 a.m. to Noon. Extra Postage 10 cents)—Per Caledon, 24th Sept., 11 A.M.

Japan via Nagasaki, Honolelo, Canada, United States and South America via San Francisco—Per China, 24th Sept., 11 A.M.

Philippine Islands—Per Tamang, 24th Sept., 8 P.M.

Philippine Islands, Australia, Tasmania and New Zealand via Thursday Island—Per Empire, 25th Sept., 10 A.M.

Tientsin—Per Hainow, 26th Sept., 8 P.M.

Shanghai and North China—Per Chinkow, 26th Sept., 8 P.M.

Weihaiwei, Cheloo and Tientsin—Per Kueichow, 26th Sept., 8 P.M.

London, September 8.

Arrivals from China—Belleroph, 2.

Myridon, Yo-k, Rheat.

The following vessels have passed the Canal—Calchas, Montrose, Princess Alice, Yunnan.

London, September 9.

Arrivals from China—Brasilis, Indomenus, Kamo Maru, Brum'ay.

The following vessels have passed the Canal—Armand, Dunbar, Indramayu, Nyassa, Pera, Atreza.

London, September 10.

Arrivals from China—Beledi, Flitadro, Indrawadi, Knerba, Kanagawa Maru, Laesies, Persus, Silbola.

London, September 10.

The following vessels have passed the Canal—Aki Maru, Bohemia, Dorflinger, Indian, Lutizow, Patricius, Pembroke, Wray Castle.

London, September 11.

Arrivals from China—Bancroft, Atrata.

The following vessels have passed the Canal—Dumbane, Glenstrae, Hynd, Helene, Blakemore, Iyo Maru, Hippo, Mupicester Castle, Nyanza, Scatle, Tydys, Funt, Salvo, Queen Alexandra.

London, September 12.

The following vessels have passed the Canal—Dumbane, Glenstrae, Hynd, Helene, Blakemore, Iyo Maru, Hippo, Mupicester Castle, Nyanza, Scatle, Tydys, Funt, Salvo, Queen Alexandra.

London, September 13.

The following vessels have passed the Canal—Dumbane, Glenstrae, Hynd, Helene, Blakemore, Iyo Maru, Hippo, Mupicester Castle, Nyanza, Scatle, Tydys, Funt, Salvo, Queen Alexandra.

London, September 14.

The following vessels have passed the Canal—Dumbane, Glenstrae, Hynd, Helene, Blakemore, Iyo Maru, Hippo, Mupicester Castle, Nyanza, Scatle, Tydys, Funt, Salvo, Queen Alexandra.

London, September 15.

The following vessels have passed the Canal—Dumbane, Glenstrae, Hynd, Helene, Blakemore, Iyo Maru, Hippo, Mupicester Castle, Nyanza, Scatle, Tydys, Funt, Salvo, Queen Alexandra.

London, September 16.

The following vessels have passed the Canal—Dumbane, Glenstrae, Hynd, Helene, Blakemore, Iyo Maru, Hippo, Mupicester Castle, Nyanza, Scatle, Tydys, Funt, Salvo, Queen Alexandra.

London, September 17.

The following vessels have passed the Canal—Dumbane, Glenstrae, Hynd, Helene, Blakemore, Iyo Maru, Hippo, Mupicester Castle, Nyanza, Scatle, Tydys, Funt, Salvo, Queen Alexandra.

London, September 18.

The following vessels have passed the Canal—Dumbane, Glenstrae, Hynd, Helene, Blakemore, Iyo Maru, Hippo, Mupicester Castle, Nyanza, Scatle, Tydys, Funt, Salvo, Queen Alexandra.

London, September 19.

The following vessels have passed the Canal—Dumbane, Glenstrae, Hynd, Helene, Blakemore, Iyo Maru, Hippo, Mupicester Castle, Nyanza, Scatle, Tydys, Funt, Salvo, Queen Alexandra.

London, September 20.

The following vessels have passed the Canal—Dumbane, Glenstrae, Hynd, Helene, Blakemore, Iyo Maru, Hippo, Mupicester Castle, Nyanza, Scatle, Tydys, Funt, Salvo, Queen Alexandra.

London, September 21.

The following vessels have passed the Canal—Dumbane, Glenstrae, Hynd, Helene, Blakemore, Iyo Maru, Hippo, Mupicester Castle, Nyanza, Scatle, Tydys, Funt, Salvo, Queen Alexandra.

London, September 22.

The following vessels have passed the Canal—Dumbane, Glenstrae, Hynd, Helene, Blakemore, Iyo Maru, Hippo, Mupicester Castle, Nyanza, Scatle, Tydys, Funt, Salvo, Queen Alexandra.

London, September 23.

The following vessels have passed the Canal—Dumbane, Glenstrae, Hynd, Helene, Blakemore, Iyo Maru, Hippo, Mupicester Castle, Nyanza, Scatle, Tydys, Funt, Salvo, Queen Alexandra.

London, September 24.

The following vessels have passed the Canal—Dumbane, Glenstrae, Hynd, Helene, Blakemore, Iyo Maru, Hippo, Mupicester Castle,